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CROP PRODUCTION

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Maryland: Based on conditions around August 1st, corn, soybean, and tobacco yields are expected to be



down from 2000 due to varied growing conditions throughout the state this season. Projected **corn** for grain yield is 135 bushels per acre, down 20 bushels from last year's yield of 155

bushels per acre. If realized, Maryland's corn yield will be the third highest on record. Corn production is forecasted at 58.1 million bushels, down 3 percent from last year, but up 73 percent from 1999. According to the Weekly Crop and Weather Report for the week ending July 30th, corn condition stands at 3 excellent, 67 percent good, and 20 percent fair, 7 percent poor and 3 percent very poor.

For **soybeans**, yield is forecast to be 38 bushels per acre, down 5 bushels from 2000's final estimate of 43 bushels per acre. With a projected production level of

19.4 million bushels, this years soybean production will be down 12 percent from last year, but up 26 percent from 1999. From the Weekly Crop and Weather Report for the week ending July 30th, soybean condition was rated 5 excellent, 75 percent good, and 14 percent fair, 5 percent poor, and 1 percent very poor.

United States: Corn production is forecast at 92.7 billion bushels down 7 percent from last year and 2 percent from 1999. Based on August 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 133.9 bushels per acre, down 3.2 bushels from last year. If realized this would be the lowest production since 1997.

Soybean production is forecast at a record high 2.87 billion bushels, up 4 percent from 2000 and 8 percent from 1999. Based on August 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 38.7 bushels per acre, up 0.6 bushels from 2000. Acres for harvest, at a record 74.1 million acres, are up 2 percent from the 2000 acreage.

**Acreage, Yield, and Production
2000 and 2001**

Commodity	Unit	Planted		Harvested		Average Yield		Production	
		2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
<u>Maryland</u>		<i>1,000 Acres</i>						<i>1,000</i>	
Corn ¹	ACR	480	510	----	----	----	----	----	----
Corn Grain	BU	----	----	405	430	155	135	62,775	58,050
Corn Silage	TON	----	----	70	²	20	²	1,400	²
Soybeans	BU	520	520	515	510	43	38	22,145	19,380
Sorghum ¹	BU	10	9	----	----	----	----	----	----
Sorghum Grain	BU	----	----	9	8	84	²	756	²
Sorghum Silage	TON	----	----	1	²	15	²	15	²
Winter Wheat	BU	220	190	200	180	63	62	12,600	11,160
Barley	BU	55	55	50	50	82	72	4,100	3,600
All Hay	TON	----	----	235	215	3.03	²	711	²
Alfalfa Hay	TON	----	----	65	60	4.4	²	286	²
Other Hay	TON	----	----	170	155	2.5	²	425	²
Tobacco	LBS	----	----	5.7	1.7	1,450	1,400	8,265	2,380
Potatoes, Summer	CWT	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.7	260	240	1,222	1,128
<u>United States</u>								<i>1,000,000</i>	
Corn ¹	ACR	79,545	76,009	----	----	----	----	----	----
Corn Grain	BU	----	----	72,732	69,191	137.1	133.9	9,968	9,266
Corn Silage	TON	----	----	5,868	²	17	²	99	²
Soybeans	BU	74,496	75,216	72,718	74,137	38.1	38.7	2,770	2,867
Sorghum ¹	BU	9,195	10,047	----	----	----	----	----	----
Sorghum Grain	BU	----	----	7,723	8,777	60.9	62.0	470	544
Sorghum Silage	TON	----	----	265	²	10.8	²	3	²
Wheat, Winter	BU	43,348	41,318	35,022	31,657	44.6	43.8	1,563	1,385
Barley	BU	5,844	5,088	5,201	4,514	61.1	58.8	318	266
All Hay	TON	----	----	59,854	63,833	2.54	2.48	152	158
Alfalfa Hay	TON	----	----	23,077	23,750	3.48	3.38	80	80
Other Hay	TON	----	----	36,777	40,083	1.95	1.95	72	78
Tobacco	LBS	----	----	472.4	451.3	2,229	2,230	1,053	1,006
Potatoes, Summer	CWT	64.7	60.8	61.8	59.1	303	305	19	18

¹ Acres planted is for all purposes.

² Published January 2002

AGRICULTURAL PRICES

Prices received for the month of July were up for most crops. Wheat price increased eighteen cents to \$2.43 per bushel. The corn price was also up eighteen cents to a price of \$2.25 per bushel. Soybeans moved up thirty cents per bushel from last month's price of \$4.45.

On the other hand most livestock prices appeared to be down from June. Beef cattle had a \$3.70 per cwt decline. Calf prices were down to \$93.40 per cwt, but hog prices increased to \$45.50 per cwt.

		Maryland and Delaware			United States			
Commodity	Unit	Jul 2000	Jun 2001	Jul 2001	Jul 2000	Jun 2001	Jul 2001	Parity Price
<i>Dollars</i>								
Wheat, Winter	BU	2.05	2.25	2.43	2.23	2.68	2.69	9.71
Corn	BU	2.04	2.07	2.25	1.64	1.77	1.88	6.62
Oats	BU	1.60	1.63	1.60	1.07	1.38	1.36	3.77
Barley	BU	1.35	1.30	1.24	2.70	1.98	1.79	6.48
Soybeans	BU	4.51	4.45	4.75	4.53	4.46	4.92	14.40
All Hay, Baled	TON	108.00	129.00	109.00	80.20	95.80	96.30	-----
Apples, Fresh	LB	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.162	0.153	0.144	.491
All Beef Cattle	CWT	67.40	76.80	73.10	67.50	73.50	70.80	159.00
Calves	CWT	86.70	97.20	93.40	106.00	109.00	108.00	209.00
Hogs	CWT	40.60	45.40	45.50	48.30	52.20	51.40	104.00
Milk, Fluid MKT	CWT	13.80	17.10	17.50	12.60	16.20	16.30	32.30
Chickens ¹	LB	0.060	0.085	0.085	-----	-----	-----	-----
Broilers	LB	0.345	0.370	0.385	0.350	0.410	0.420	-----
Turkeys, Live	LB	----	----	----	0.422	0.385	0.386	0.964
Eggs, Market	DOZ	0.453	0.420	0.426	0.377	0.358	0.350	1.56

¹Mid-Month Forecast, Entire Month Price

INDEX OF PRICES RECEIVED			
INDEX AND RATIOS	UNITED STATES 1990 - 92 = 100		
	JULY 2000	JUNE 2001	JULY 2001
All Farm Products	96	107	106
All Crops	94	101	101
Feed Grain & Hay	82	* 91	95
Oil- Bearing Crops	81	80	88
Fruits & Nuts	108	* 117	121
All Livestock and Livestock Products	99	* 112	111
Meat Animals	96	104	100
Dairy Products	96	* 123	125
Poultry and Eggs	106	117	119
Ratio ¹	80	86	85
Prices Paid Index	120	124	124

* Revised

¹ Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid.

SEPTEMBER RELEASE CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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